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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
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Mokoto SHAZAKAI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2654  
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Application No. 09/380,563 ) Examiner: Armstrong, A.  
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Filed: September 3, 1999 )  
) Confirmation No. 2773  
For: SPEECH PROCESSING )  
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
IMPROVING SPEECH QUALITY )  
AND SPEECH RECOGNITION )  
PERFORMANCE )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper,  
beginning on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper, beginning on  
page 10.